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March 25, 2011

TO: Each Supervisor

FROM: Jonathan E. Fielding, M.D., M.P.H.
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SUBJECT: **NOTIFICATION OF THE USE OF DELEGATED AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT
AMENDMENT A01 TO NOTICE OF AWARD NUMBER 08-85192 A01 FROM THE
CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH**

This is to inform you that I am exercising the delegated authority approved by your Board on April 14, 2009, to accept and execute any subsequent amendments to the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) Standard Agreement that permit the increase or decrease of funds up to 25 percent of the base annual amount, subject to review and approval by County Counsel and the Chief Executive Office (CEO), and notification to your Board.

Under this authority, I will accept Amendment A01 to CDPH Standard Agreement 08-85192 which provides additional funds in the amount of \$150,053, increasing the annual maximum amount from \$26,373,870 to \$26,523,923 for the current funding term of July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011, 100 percent offset by federal American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 funds. These additional funds will help support the Department of Public Health's (DPH) efforts to conduct unannounced inspections or "surveys" of ambulatory surgical health care facilities within Los Angeles County.

Since 1990, CDPH has had a backlog of surveys of ambulatory surgical health care facilities and the federal government is now taking steps to ensure completion of all outstanding surveys. Due to DPH staffing limitations, the federal government and CDPH have determined that the additional surveys should be conducted by September 30, 2011 for 33 percent of the ambulatory surgical health care facilities that have surveys older than six years.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved Amendment A01 to Standard Agreement 08-85192 as to use. County Counsel and the CEO have reviewed and approved this delegated authority action.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please let me know.

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c: Chief Executive Officer
County Counsel
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors